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near the water's edge at West Falls Avenue, in the southeast section of the city. There the flames continued through to-night, but only in spots, and with diminishing fierceness. A dark gloom served to assist the watching thousands of specialors, hald be kind the lines many

of spectators, held behind the lines many squares away, to locate the flames.

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Powerless the fromen (sil back and again the fire was moster of the situation. Then the flames swept on, and once more, block after block going down, the residential sections tobusing into danger, and all hope was abandoned.

Desperate Work.

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Desperate Work.

Eut they continued desporately at their work, the New York hattailon rendering magnificent aid, and shortly after seven the announcement was made and confirmed by the mayor, that the fire was strely under control. At this hour great blazes continued in the burned district, but they are no menace, being islands of fire in a desolate waste.

Any attempt to describe the speed of the flames are utterly futile, so rapidly did they encompass the burned district side so vast and complete is the ruin. In the extent of property loss, the lire has reached proportions that are likely to exceed those of any other confingeration in the history of the United States. To estimate the loss accurately at this time is impossible. A large percentage of it will fall upon the insurance companies. Insurance, brokers to-day, estimated that at least \$30,000,000 in premiums will have to be paid by the computer second of the stent from its control of the second of the stent from the second of ach. pinles concerned, the losses falling on individual companies to the extent from \$500,000 to \$2,000,000 each.

DESPERATE BATTLE.

Only Most Heroic Work Saves Residential Section of City.

(By Associated Press.) (By Associated Press.)

BALTIMORE, MD., Feb. 8.—Baltimore is staggering to-night under fire loss which no one has the temerity to put in figures. The important commercial district is blackened ruins, laid bare by a conflagration which raged without a momentary check from 10:45 A. M. yesterday until late in the afternoon to-day. At 3 o'clock the flames were under control. They had raged twenty-eight hours, in spite of utmost superhuman efforts put forth by the best fightling forces which in spite of utmost superhuman put forth by the best fighting forces nore than half a dozen cities were able

residence section of the city escaped. This phase of the situation re-lieved the officials from any thought oththan the saving of property. The frames were held in check at the Union docks and prevented from leaping Jones's Falls and placing the entire city east of there in jeopardy. A score of times fames of fire were found lapping the sides of lumber piles on the east bank of the falls. Heroic measures stayed the ensweep of the fire.

Fierce Gale.

Throughout the terrible contest which fremen and fire waged for supremacy, humanity was handicapped by a gale which carried burning brands far over the heads of the workers and beyond the reach of the hundreds of streams of water poured into the raging furnaces. But for the work of volunteers in seeking out and extinguishing these embers, it is almost certain the burned area would have been twice larger than it is.

About seventy-five squares, or one hundred and forty acres, are in ashes, extending from Lexington Street on the north to Pratt Street on the south, from Liberty Street on the west to Jones's Falls on the east.

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Insurance companies have opened tem Insurance companies have opened temporary offices in the Lexington Hotel, but their representatives decline to estimate the loss. The answer of one is typical of all: "It's too big. We have not figures to describe it. Make it about one hundred million. That's the best we can do." The same indecision was shown in regard to estimates concerning incurance.

Martial Law.

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The city was early placed under martial law and thus all danger of looting in the doomed district was eliminated. Word was received to-night that General Corbin, of New York, would be here to-morrow to take command of the Federal troops. The presence of two regiments of militia as an adjunct to the police, which were argumented by details from Philadelphia and Washington, resulted in the maintenance of the best of order. No one dares to guess what would have happened if the flames had jumped Jones's Falls. The struggle to-day has been with the one end of confining the fire to the west side of the muddy little stream. That this effort was successful is merely the result of the fire burning little fout, and coming in contact in front with the concentrated labors of nearly a hundred fire companies, aided by the powerful fire tug, the Cataract.

Again and again the terrible heat, driven by the burning district across Jones's Falls, ignited buildings and lumber piles. Furlous hand to hand fights occurred, which, fortunately for the residents of East Balltgore, were won by the firmen. For exercial hours in the

of East Baltimore, were won by remen. For several hours in the district of the east side volunimmber district of the east side volunteers watched every ember. Bucket brigades were formed to prevent the destructive leap of the flames across the narrow stream. Had the fire gained a foothold in the east side lumber yards, it is conceded nothing could have stoped the onslaught and the departments would have been powerless to prevent were fighting from the rear while other companies were flanking on the Jones and the Liberty Street borders. Sandwiches and coffee



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and the detonating was heard in all parts of the city.

Terrible Grandeur.

With the fire under control, the blackened waste, which lies in the wake of the
sea of flames presents a view terrible
in its pyrotechie; grandeur. It can be
likened best to oceans of great coke
ovens, each shooting out its thousand
tongues of flames from pyramids of
brick, stone and cement. Where the
fire has died out nothing remains but
black waste, from which rise hundreds
of towering insecure shafts of the same of towering insecure shafts of the same color. These are all that is left of what were once handsome office buildings,

W. and B. Railroad is used as barracks for the militia, which is enforcing martial law. The building caught fire a number of times, and whenever the door was opened a shower of sparks was carried inside. In front the lumber piles furnished tinder for the fiames which were over creeping forward, yet the men who had been pacing the streets all night lay in the sleep brought only by-exhaustion. Residents and business men of the cast side are not yet fully assured of their safety, and through every window may be seen anxious, affrighted faces. Moving vans, push carts and vehicles of all kinds fill the streets, carting household effects and valuables to safer sections.

Many Out of Work.

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Colonel J. Frank Supplee, a competent authority on factory statistics, estimates that the number of persons thrown out of employment will reach 5,,000. Others have estimated the enforced idleness at greatly more, Inspector of Buildings Preston after making a careful study of the burned district placed the building loss

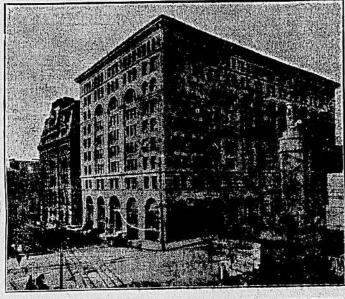
burned district placed the building loss alone at \$150,000,000.

To-night it is feared that aid must come from adjacent cities, or a partial famine will be an added phase of the si uation. Restaurants are entirely without food, and the destruction of the commission houses along the wharves has shut off the means of supply. Hotels are but little better off, and though they say they will be able to feed their guests, it is admitted the variety will be lessened at once. Proparations are being made to rush supplies from New York in order to avert suffering in homes.

Under Control

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Late this afternoon it became possible to locate the spot where the march of the flames was stopped. After the burning of the Maryland and American Ice Companies' plants, near the Union Docks, ing of the Naryana and Companies' plants, near the Union Docks, few buildings were destroyed. The ico houses held the flames for three hours, though in the meantime the Norfolk wharf was consumed. The fireboat Cataract and several New York engine companies held this dangerous neighborhood, and when the fire entered the American Ico Company's coal yards it was kept under control. The next building in line was the Damast Packing Company's plant, and this was but little damaged. Wilson's lumber yards, Denmead Matting Company's building and the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation Company's buildings and a number of others virtually were snatched from the burning. Local fire officials extend unstinted praise to the fire companies from New York for to the fire companies from New York for the brave stand they made at the eastern end of the fire. Time and again they were driven from their position, but at



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Hardly a Wall Ten Feet High Is Left of These Two Buildings, But the Monument Came Out Just a Little Scorched.

storage, wholesale and business houses of all kinds.

The loss will not be accurately estimated for weeks, for business men, prosus yesterday morning are poor to-Expressions heard among these men day. Expressions heard among these men as they peered into the collapsed prop-erty reveal an astounding number who were poorly protected with insurance. At 12:30 c'elock the northern limits of the fire had travoled from Fayette

the coal yard they made a last stand and

BLACKENED RUINS.

Devastation Where Costly and Stately Buildings Stood.

The cheering news that the conflagra-tion had been checked spread rapidly over the city, and the great crowds that all day had surged against the tightly drawn fire lines began to turn homeward. Unless the wind, which now blows brisk-ty from the northwest should change. It

ly from the northwest, should change, it is believed that there is no further danger. But the tired firemen are taking no chances. All over the burned district they are to-night fighting the force flames that still live in large piles of ruins. These fires are no menace, however, for they have nothing to feed upon outside their prezent limits.

During the afternoon the wall of flame.

ever, for they have nothing to feed upon outside their prezent limits.

During the afternoon the wall of flame ate its way in a southerly and westerly direction toward the water. Sporadic fires sprang into existence and caused the withdrawal of apparatus and men from the line of battle. Buildings, old and new, large and small, stores, shops and every imaginable class of business vanished as the fire swept onward.

THE LAST STAND.

As the day wore on the forefront of the fire neared Jones's Falls, a small stream that trends north and south and divides Baltimore from that portion of the city known as East Baltimore. The little stream was the last stand. If the conflagration leaped it—if by flying embers or a rush of flame the fire should cross and gain a foothold—its extent could not be forstold.

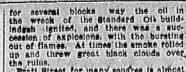
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Tremendous efforts were made to block it. Dynamite was used freely. The fire apparatus was centered and all the skill of the fire-fighters was called into play to defeat the element that had eaten up millions of dollars' worth of property.

And human skill and pluck and grit and unfaltering courage won. The fire was checked. But behind it lay a great gutted waste of more than 140 acres in extent.

Every street that led to the fire area.



up and threw great black clouds over the rulis.

Pratt Street for many squares is almost impassabe by reason of huge piles of masonry and water, with which the fire companies flooded that section. The electric wires are a tangled net work, and the trolley wires are down in every direction. At o'Donnell's Wharf, where a freight station of the North Central Railroad is located, the fames fed all day on the inflammable trimmings of the annex to the power house of the United Street Railways, the main building of which was guited early this morning. The wails of both buildings, however, remain intact.

The erge buildings of the Miller FertiPizer Company, the Brigener Oil Company, S. A. Robinson, dealer in seeds,
and the Mart'n Wagner Company, canners any pickers, opposite the sky from
the power house, were destroyed and the
ruins burned throughout this evening.

ONLY DEBRIS LEFT.

Many of the occupants of ill-fated
Pratt Street were saloon keepers and
dealers in second-hand goods. There is
recthing to infleate that the places ever

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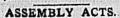
BUILDING MATERIAL IN THE UNITED STATES.

FORTLAND AND ROSENDALE CEMENT, LIME AND

ington and small towns within a radius of fifty miles of Baltimore. Their duty was to check the flames in their onward march southward.

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Legal Holidays in Stricken City.

(By Associated Press.)

ANNAPOLIS, MD., Feb. 8.—The Genoral Assembly met in the State House to-night to consider plans for the relief of the fire conditions in Baltimore. Senator Gill, of Baltimore, introduced a bill authorizing Governor Warrield to declare ten successive legal holidays in the siricken city, so as to aid property owners and other losers by the fire to get their business infairs into as good shape as possible. The bill, which was passed and at once signed by the Governor, authorizes him to extend the suspension thorizes him to extend the suspension of business beyond ten days if neces-

A bill to make a relief appropriation. which was to have been presented in the House by Mr. Wells, of Prince George county, was laid over until the conditions and the amount needed can be ascertain-

ARTILLERY TO GO.

Four Companies Ordered From Old Point to Baltimore.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Feb. 8.—OrGers were received at Fort Monroe late
to night to send four companies of arilliery to Baltimore to do guard duty
in connection with the great configeration there. The men will leave on a
special Chesapeake and Ohlo train via
Gordoneville, and will carry with them
ten days' rations. The train is expected
to leave Old Point shortly after midnight.

MILITARY IN CHARGE.

General Corbin With Regulars Sent to Baltimore.

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(II) Associated Press.

IVABHINGTON, Feb. S.—At the urgent request of Senator Gorman, and upon his pieces and that of the Governor of Maryined and the Legislaire of Mri urgent that the Legislaire of Mri urgent to the governorment for military assistance. Leutenant-Gener i Clattice commanding the general s'aff, sent certain commanding the general s'aff, sent certain commanding the Department eleganphic orders to-day to Major-General Corbin, commanding the Department of East at New York, to process for how the to Balt more and take military command of the situation there. Nearly 1,600 coldiers have been ordered to serve urder, him. These troops were urder rus orders and were expected to rp it of General Corbin before nightfall. It is expressly stated at the War Department that the troops are for service at a rollice force under the direction of the Mayor and State authorities.

Howitzers To-night.

tune or plucky fire fighting by four of the Baltimore fire companies saved the city from another serious fire this afternoon.

A burning brand fell on the roof of the Maine Ice Company's plant, at Wells and Philpot. Streets, across Jones's Falls, in East Baltimore. The tar roofing of the frame structure became quickly ignited,

COURTHOUSE OF MARBLE AND GRANITE. This \$6,000,000 New Building Was Badly Scorched, But Saved. All the Buildings Against and South of It Were Burned.

as Philadelphia.

from Washington, Annapolis, Wilmington and surrounding towns, even as far away

as Philadelphia.

The gatherings are remarkably quiet and orderly, and the sentinels so far have had no difficulty in controlling them. Pratt Street, running from one and to the other of the fire area, was passable throughout its length and was used as a thoroughtare by these permitted within the line. Great foolhardness was artibited by some person who

iners was exhibited by some person who ventured recklessly into the more din-

ventured reckiessly into the more din-gerous streets.

The clearing away of the ruins will be an affair of months. Every standing wall must come down, and the whole mass of debris carted away. Along the northern edge of the burned district the number of standing walls is especially standing walls in greet buildings.

Baltimore Was Threatened With

Another Serious Fire. (By Associated Press.)

BALTIMORE, MD., Feb. 8 .- Good for-

buildings at Dugan's Wharf, nearby, were destrodey. The Hutchinson feed concern at this point is also in ruins. concern at this point is also in tuning stretching from here down east and west Falls Avenue were a number of business establishments. Among these the Lime Cement Company's plant and Cockran's ice house were burned. The large four-story building of the McCormfok Drus Company at East Falis Avenue and Pratt Stratt was burned. The William Tell Company at East Fals, a venue and reactive was burned. The William Tell House, a saloon and hotel, at East Fals Avenue and Pratt Street; the Hoffman House, another hote nearby; the T. J. Myers large five-story packing plant, and the W. W. Boyer packing plant were destroyed. The Commercial building, a six-story building, at the corner of Lominard and Gay Streets, attetohing over a bard and Gay Streets, stretching over a half block, is destroyed, but the vaults

The Fayette Street Episcopal Church, one of the oldest buildings in the ci'y, at he corrier of 'Gay and Fayette Streets, effect.

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The building building being still building being still building building being still building buildings buildin the corner of Gay and Fayette Streets, on the border of the fire district, has nothing but the outside walls left. The hardware store of John Brown, at Concord and Pratt Streets, was reduced to debris. On Gay Street, between Lombard, and Water Streets, two wholesale liquor establishments, Jarrett Williams Company, a five-story building, and the Wilson Distilling Company, also a five-story structure, are reduced to ashes, while a front wall is all that is left of the five-story wholesale liquor plant of Kuhl and Son. The Cummings and Melville Distillery, another five-story building; the wholesale liquor establishment of Broadbeck and Company, at Water and Gay Streets, and other similar establishments on Gay Streets, were destroyed, The The burned area is a scene of complete devastation. Numberfess buildings that were the pride of Baltimore, costly and stately and occupied for divers purposes, were gutted, and only smouldering deb. is or walls or remnants of walls remain to The Baltimore American building, one of the finest, is now but smouldering debris, save for remnants and front and side walls, Across South Street, where stood the Baltimore Sun building, only the pillars that marked the front, remain. on Gay Street, were destroyed. The wholesale candy manufactory of the Lauer and Suter Company, at Lombard and Frederick Streets, embracing three houses on Lombard and Frederick, each of them a four-story structure, went next. the pillars that marked the front, feliand, the pillars that marked the front feliand out without, in some cases, a wall left standing. From Fayette Circet down Holliday Street, as far as German Street, there is no building left, save the corn and flour exchange, at the corner of Garman Street. That building, whose walls was suited and the standing walls formed

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HUNDREDS OF OTHERS.

There were hundreds of other buildings destroyed, including many of considerable commercial importance, but their complete list would be but a business directory of the burned area.

While there were no casualties to speak of, the great army of fire-fighters performed many daring feats in their desparate attempts to stay the fiames. Many times they were driven out of close and hot places just as walls came toppling down.

The last large building to fall a prey to the fiames down along Jones's Falls nearly caught five men. They were on the roof and directing their efforts to an adjoining structure, when a warning shout was sent out that the interior of the building on which they were standing was in flames. They found their way to a tin gutter, where one by one they hung, and stretched out their arms and srasped a telegraph pole which was planted close to the structure. They sild down and had not reached the ground when the roof fell in with a roar. This was only one instance. Columns could be written of hairbreadth escapes made during the twenty-eight hours' battle with the flames.

All of the out-of-town fire companies, because of utter exhaustion of the local

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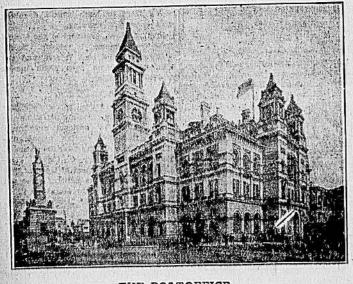
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damage as great, if not greater, than of the Chicago fird.

Dynamite explosions have been constant to-day. The programme adopted last night of blowing up buildings in an attempt to stay the progress of the fismes was continued until the fire was under control. Then the dynamiters turned their attention to razing tottering walls, which invasional to collapse. The result was almost constant canonading,

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Was checked. But been it it is a guitted waste of more than 140 acres in extent.

Every street that led to the fire area was crowded with awe-stricken spectators. Down the narrow guich, like sheets, the black smoke hung densely, split now and then by a red glare of flame. The crash of failing buildings was lost in the roar of exploding dynamlie, as it was used to demolish structures as yet untrouched by fire.

MILITARY DISCIPLINE.

The clty was under the strictest of military control. All around the burned over Jones Falls held a score of firemen, and not infrequently they were compelled to turn their attention from the towering pieces to put out flames on the floor between them and deep water.

Both banks of Jones Falls were lined with lumber yards and the piles on one side were blazing constantly, and on the carly hours this morning the flames were raging flercely along the theretoen the politic of red in the flames are their way with undiming odds, and when dawn broke the flames are their way with undimining the flames attention of the P.

the German consulate on this square, is also in ruins.

The costly United States customs house in course of construction and occupying the triangular block between Lombard and Water Streets and Exchange Place, is said to be ruined. The marble blocks are budly damaged, the cornices on the north side are destroyed and the marble is cracked in a number of places. The only other Federal building damaged was the United States custom house No. 1, diagonally opposite, Here the interior sustained serious damage, but the outer walls are intact, the only building in that section whose outer structure was preserved.

Wesward loons Pratt Street a only de-bris from which flames leap and play. Down Pratt Street, west from Gay,

B. MOORE & CO.

All of the out-of-town fire companies, because of litter exhaustion of the local men, were given a free hand during the morning and early afternoon, More than a score of dempanies were here from New York, Philadelphia, Wilmington, Wash-